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Item 1 of the provisional agenda
Adoption of the agenda and
organization of work

ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FIRST SUBSTANTIVE SESSION OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE

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Item 1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

Documentation for agenda item 1:

A/CONF.165/PC.1/1	Provisional agenda for the first substantive session of the Preparatory Committee
A/CONF.165/PC.1/1/Add.1	Annotations to the provisional agenda for the first substantive session of the Preparatory Committee
A/CONF.165/PC.1/INF.1	Report on the state of preparedness of documents for the first substantive session of the Preparatory Committee
A/CONF.165/PC.1/INF.4	List of documents
---	Report of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) (A/48/37)

1. Under this item, the Preparatory Committee is expected to take the following decisions: (a) adoption of the agenda; (b) organization of work between plenary and working groups; and (c) election of officers to service its working groups.

2. The Preparatory Committee will note that the provisional agenda for the first substantive session was completed by the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee during its meeting on 18 November 1993, held at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

3. The Bureau has suggested that two working groups be established: one to deal with item 5 of the provisional agenda - Draft Statement of Principles and Commitments, focusing on legal and institutional issues; and the second working group to deal with item 6 on the Draft Global Plan of Action, focusing on policy, programme and technical issues.

4. The Chairman of the Preparatory Committee in Geneva will chair all plenary sessions and will be assisted in this assignment by members of the Bureau, as required. The Preparatory Committee is further requested to elect the chairpersons of the working groups.

5. It is further suggested that the work of the session of the Preparatory Committee be organized according to the following structure, so as to avoid the occurrence of more than two official meetings at the same time: Plenary sessions only on the first two to three days, followed by the start of discussions in one working group. Time might still be allocated to complete the initial Plenary sessions simultaneously with the activities of the first working group. The second working group could start as soon as the Plenary has finalized its initial sessions, with the possibility of brief *ad hoc* Plenary sessions, as required. The Plenary is scheduled to reconvene for the last two or three days of the Preparatory Committee's session.

Item 2. Preparations for the Conference: Progress report of the Secretary General

Documentation for agenda item 2:

A/CONF.165/PC.1/2	Progress report of the Secretary-General of the Conference on the activities of the Conference Secretariat

6. Under this agenda item, the Preparatory Committee will receive the most up-to-date information available on the activities of the Habitat II secretariat.

Item 3. Preparations at the country level

Documentation for agenda item 3:

A/CONF.165/PC.1/2	Progress report of the Secretary-General of the Conference on the activities of the Conference Secretariat (Section A. Support to the preparatory activities at the country level)
A/CONF.165/PC.1/4	Draft work programme for the preparatory process (Section I. Support to the preparatory activities at country level)
A/CONF.165/PC.1/7	Recommendations of the Commission on Human Settlements at its fourteenth session
A/CONF.165/PC.1/INF.3	Report of the Expert Group Meeting on Urban Indicators for Country Reporting

7. Under this agenda item, countries that have already started preparations for the Conference will have the opportunity to report on their activities. The same opportunity will be accorded to accredited non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

Item 4. Preparations at the regional and global level

Documentation for agenda item 4:

A/CONF.165/PC.1/2	Progress report of the Secretary-General of the Conference on the activities of the Conference Secretariat (Section B. Regional and global activities)
A/CONF.165/PC.1/4	Draft work programme for the preparatory process (Section II. Regional and global activities)
A/CONF.165/PC.1/CRP...	Conference room papers presented by the regional economic commissions and other groups

8. Under this agenda item, the regional economic commissions and other organizations operating at the regional and/or subregional level that have already started preparations for the Conference will have the opportunity to report on their activities.

Item 5. Draft Statement of Principles and Commitments

Documentation for agenda item 5:

A/CONF.165/PC.1/3	Draft Statement of Principles and Commitments: report of the Secretary General

9. The Preparatory Committee will have before it a Draft Statement of Principles and Commitments (document A/CONF.165/PC.1/3) which has been

developed by the Habitat II secretariat and is submitted by the Secretary-General of the Conference in response to General Assembly resolution 47/180, paragraph 2(b).

10. The Preparatory Committee is requested to address the issues specifically identified in the summary of document A/CONF.165/PC.1/3 and to provide further development of the Draft Statement of Principles and Commitments, which would then be considered further by the Preparatory Committee at its second substantive session.

Item 6. Draft issue papers and draft format for the programmes and subprogrammes of the plan of action

Documentation for agenda item 6:

A/CONF.165/PC.1/5	Draft Format of the Global Plan of Action: Report of the Secretary General
A/CONF.165/PC.1/6	Major reviews: report of the Secretary General
A/CONF.165/PC.1/7	Recommendations of the Commission on Human Settlements at its fourteenth session
A/CONF.165/PC.1/INF.2	A policy review on the United Nations contribution to the implementation of Agenda 21 in the area of human settlements [provisional title]

11. Under this agenda item, the Preparatory Committee will have before it the recommendations of the Commission on Human Settlements at its fourteenth session (resolution 14/20), as contained in document A/CONF.165/PC.1/7, a report of the Secretary-General on major reviews (document A/CONF.165/PC.1/6) which is a synthesis paper containing an annotated outline of the four major reviews to be conducted by the Conference and outlining the secretariat's plan for their preparation and the draft format of the Global Plan of Action: report of the Secretary General (document A/CONF.165/PC.1/5) which contains the Secretary-General's proposals on the issue for consideration by the Preparatory Committee.

12. Additionally, document A/CONF.165/PC.1/INF.2, containing a review of the United Nations contribution to the implementation of Agenda 21 in the area of human settlements will be available.

13. It is expected that the Preparatory Committee will provide the secretariat with guidance on the further development of the draft format of the Global Plan of Action, as well as preparations of the four major reviews to be conducted by the Conference.

Item 7. Arrangements for future session of the Preparatory Committee

14. The Preparatory Committee is requested to decide on the arrangements of its future sessions, in particular on the preparations for the second substantive session, and the documentation expected to be prepared for it.

Item 8. Provisional agenda for the second session of the Preparatory Committee

15. Based on the deliberations of the first substantive session of the Preparatory Committee, the Secretary-General of the Conference will propose a provisional agenda for the second substantive session of the Preparatory Committee, which will take place in Nairobi from 26 April to 9 May 1995 in accordance with paragraph 7 of General Assembly resolution 47/180, dated 22 December 1992.

Item 9. Adoption of the report of the first session of the Preparatory Committee

16. In accordance with the provisional agenda, as revised by the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee during its meeting on 18 November 1993, held at United Nations Headquarters in New York, the preparatory Committee will adopt the report on the work of its first substantive session for submission to the General Assembly.

DOCUMENTATION

Agenda item	Symbol	Title
1	A/CONF.165/PC.1/1	Provisional agenda for the first substantive session of the Preparatory Committee
1	A/CONF.165/PC.1/1/Add.1	Annotations to the provisional agenda for the first substantive session of the Preparatory Committee
2, 3 and 4	A/CONF.165/PC.1/2	Progress report of the Secretary-General of the Conference on the activities of the Conference Secretariat
5	A/CONF.165/PC.1/3	Draft Statement of Principles and Commitments: report of the Secretary-General of the Conference
3 and 4	A/CONF.165/PC.1/4	Draft Work Programme for the Preparatory Process: report of the Secretary-General of the Conference
6	A/CONF.165/PC.1/5	Draft Format of the Global Plan of Action: report of the Secretary-General of the Conference
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6	A/CONF.165/PC.1/INF.2	A policy review on the United Nations contribution to the implementation of Agenda 21 in the area of human settlements [provisional title] This document will be made available at the PrepCom.
3	A/CONF.165/PC.1/INF.3	Report of the Expert Group Meeting on Urban Indicators for Country Reporting
1	A/CONF.165/PC.1/INF.4	List of documents
1	(A/48/37)	Report of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements on its organizational session